

COUNTRY

East Germany

REPORT

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TOPIC Military Information from Magdeburg

EVALUATION [REDACTED] PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED]

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DATE OF CONTENT [REDACTED]

DATE OBTAINED [REDACTED] DATE PREPARED 30 April 1953

REFERENCES [REDACTED]

PAGES 2 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE) [REDACTED]

REMARKS [REDACTED]

This is UNEVALUATED Information

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1. Motor vehicle and weapon columns seen in Magdeburg on 15 and 16 April 1953 included:

15 April. At about 10 a.m., a column of 6 tanks [REDACTED] truck [REDACTED] tank truck [REDACTED] and radio truck [REDACTED] on Nordstrassen-Bruecke (bridge), coming from a western direction and proceeding toward Anger Kaserne. At noon, a column of about 20 trucks, and a large number of radio trucks [REDACTED]

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16 April. At about 5 a.m., a column of about 125 trucks [REDACTED] about 20 radio trucks [REDACTED] 20 AT guns, or undetermined number of mortars, 5 armored scout cars, 1 PA-64 armored scout car and 10 tank trucks [REDACTED] en route westward.

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At 6 a.m., an infantry column of about 300 soldiers and ambulance route toward west.

About 30 tanks [REDACTED] and numerous sidecar motorcycles were seen near the Herrenkrug [REDACTED] number of tank trucks were seen in the town [REDACTED]

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2. Troop trains seen on the railroad bridge-Nord en route toward west on 15 April included: a train carrying an undetermined number of motor vehicles, at 11 a.m.; a train carrying 12 tanks and including 10 boxcars, at 12:30 p.m.; and a train carrying 18 tanks, 10 motor vehicles and including 5 boxcars, at 1 p.m.

3. On 16 April [REDACTED] at the Burg railroad station; a train carrying 20 T-63 tanks [REDACTED] 10 trucks, including [REDACTED] and 3 AT guns; and including 5 boxcars, proceeding toward west at 9 a.m.; the assembling of troop trains, at noon; and trucks [REDACTED] with ammunition, and tanks [REDACTED] arriving at the station.

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1. [REDACTED] Comment. [REDACTED] most of the vehicles probably belonged to units of the 19th Gds Mecz Div. The columns apparently came from, or went to, the barracks installations east of the Elbe River. [REDACTED] the troop units started leaving the post only on 17 April and the division's quarters were occupied to capacity prior to this date, the intensive motor vehicle traffic tends to indicate that exercises were held in the vicinity of the post. [REDACTED] the 112th Rcn Bn of the above mentioned division may, among other units, also be stationed in the Herrenkrug Kaserne. The troop trains seen on 15 April probably carried units of the 7th Gds Tank Div which, at this time, went to the Letzling Heath. [REDACTED]
2. [REDACTED] Comment. Probably the beginning of the entraining of the 136th Gds Hv Tank SP Bn of the Third Shock Army for Letzling Heath. [REDACTED] elements of the regiment were detained in Neuholdensleben on 18 and 19 April.

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